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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:

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Application No.: 10/642,758

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Art Unit: 2655

For: OPTICAL DISC DRIVE AND OPTICAL  
PICKUP APPARATUS THAT CORRECT  
ASTIGMATISM (As Amended)

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Examiner: G. Patel

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2005 (Paper No./Mail Date 20050808), Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified patent application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.